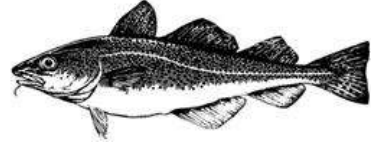


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**2018 South Alaska Peninsula Area State-Waters Pacific Cod  
Jig Gear Season Opening Delayed**

The National Weather Service (NWS) 48-hour marine weather forecast issued at 4:00 a.m. March 15, 2018 for Area 155 contained gale warnings. Therefore, the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for vessels using jig gear will be delayed for 24 hours.

If the NWS 48-hour forecast issued at 4:00 a.m. March 16, 2018 for Area 155 contains gale warnings, the season will be delayed for an additional 24 hours. The season opening may continue to be delayed on a rolling 24-hour basis for seven days beyond the initial opening date.

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